

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 1 through 27 are pending in the application and the Examiner allowed claims 1-13 and 27, but rejected claims 14-26.

The Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement [received by the PTO] on June 9, 2003, fails to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97, 1.98, and M.P.E.P. §609. Since all of the applications cited in the Supplemental IDS were filed on the same filing date (August 1, 2000) and have the same inventor (David A. Selby) and are commonly assigned, it is submitted that none are prior art with respect to each other. However, for the purpose of completeness, the present specification has been amended to cross-reference the cited applications herein.

Claim Rejections, 35 U.S.C. §101

At page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 14-26 under 35 U.S.C. §101. The Examiner suggested claim language to overcome this rejection. Applicant has amended claim 14 to include the suggested language and it is submitted that, in view of this amendment, claims 14-26 meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §101 and are allowable.

All of the claims are allowable over the prior art of record. Claims 14-26 recite the subject matter of the allowable claims, but in a different format (computer executable code). It

is submitted that claims 14-26 are allowable over the prior art of record for the reasons set forth with respect to the allowable claims 1-13 and 27.

Conclusion

Applicant believes that the current amendment overcomes the Examiner's §101 rejection, and therefore, all claims are now in allowable condition. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection of the claims. An early Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 09-0457.

Respectfully submitted

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